

**Nebraska Board of Nursing
Emergency Telephone Conference Call
October 27, 2005
11:00 a.m.**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Marcy Echternacht, President, at 11:05 a.m.

Roll Call

The following members were present: Deanna Lloyd, Marcy Echternacht, Mary Bunger, Nancy Gondringer, Joyce Bunger and Valerie Fredericksen.

The following members were absent: Sandra Mann, Mary Megel, Iris Winkelhake, Jackie Ross

Sufficient members were present to constitute a quorum and the meeting convened. Also present from the Credentialing Division were Charlene Kelly, Section Administrator; and Karen Bowen, Nursing Practice Consultant. Also present were Peggy Persell from the Investigations Division and Terri Nutzman, Assistant Attorney General.

11:10 a.m.

1. M. Bunger made the motion seconded by Gondringer **that the board go into closed session for the purpose of discussing investigative issues.**

Voting Aye: Llohd, Echternacht, M. Bunger, Gondringer, J. Bunger and Fredericksen. Voting nay: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Mann, Megel, Winkelhake and Ross. Motion carried.

11:25 a.m. the board came out of closed session.

Teresa Boyer

2. J. Bunger made the motion seconded by M. Bunger **that random body fluid screens should be included in the board's recommendation regarding probation conditions for reinstatement of Teresa Boyer's RN license. The recommendation on her reinstatement was made at the October 20, 2005 Board of Nursing meeting and random body fluid screens were inadvertently omitted from the recommendation.**

Voting Aye: Llohd, Echternacht, M. Bunger, Gondringer, J. Bunger and Fredericksen. Voting nay: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Mann, Megel, Winkelhake and Ross. Motion carried.

Proposed Changes to Uniform Credentialing Act (UCA), the Nurse Practice Act and the Licensed Practical Nurse - Certified Act.

Kelly provided an overview of the proposed changes to UCA and the practice acts. The board has previously heard an explanation of the proposed changes and made comments. It was explained that the early comments received were incorporated into the September 29, 2005 draft of the UCA. More comments have been received at public forums held since the September 29 draft was distributed. Comments from the forums are now being reviewed and will be incorporated as appropriate before the final draft for introduction in the legislature is completed. Kelly pointed out the major changes for

nursing that will occur as a result of this process. The board was in agreement that these changes are acceptable. Kelly explained that for purposes of the advanced practice statutes, the APRN Act, CRNA Act, CNS Act, NP Act and CNM Act changes were made to the statutes that were changed by LB 256, 2005. These statutes do not go into effect until July 1, 2007. It is anticipated that this will also be the implementation date for changes to the UCA provided it passes in 2006. Therefore rather than amending the current statutes, those that will be effective on July 1, 2007 were amended. The board requested that the proposed changes to these statutes be sent to them as well.

11:40 a.m. the meeting adjourned.

Minutes taken by Charlene Kelly